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March 31, 2023

The Honorable Kay Granger Chairman Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for upgrades to the La Kretz Innovation Campus in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator (LACI) located at 525 S. Hewitt Street, Los Angeles, 90013. This funding will be used to upgrade outdated physical building systems instrumental for use in workforce development. Funded improvements would enable LACI to provide additional programming for education and training with microgrid technology, EV infrastructure development, building maintenance, and OSHA training.

The funding will be used for upgrading outdated physical building systems to maintain a world-class state-of-the-art facility, microgrid development and new EV infrastructure. Upon completion, participants will gain the skills to be competitive in the future of work landscape. The La Kretz Innovation Campus will serve as an economic driver and community-building example of a working economic ecosystem.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because project would empower LACI with facilities capable of providing additional programming for education and workforce development with cutting edge microgrid technology, EV infrastructure development, high tech building maintenance, OSHA training.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(4).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

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Jimmy Gomez Member of Congress